

Resource Seminars

Celebrating Wilderness Through Art

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Program Description

Celebrating Wilderness Through Art
Saturday, July 12, 2014 • 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

As adventurers and scientists explored our vast nation through the years, art has been instrumental in capturing the essence and character of wilderness and our national parks. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act which initially set aside more than 9 million acres of public land as Congressionally-designated wilderness. On **Saturday, July 12, 2014**, celebrate the wilderness found in Shenandoah National Park by joining two local artists to learn easy journaling and drawing exercises that will help you preserve your own nature and wilderness experiences. Art supplies and writing materials will be provided. No previous art or nature writing experience is necessary. Some hiking will be involved. Pre-registration is required.

Registration

Celebrating Wilderness Through Art is FREE with your paid park entrance fee, but pre-registration is required. This program is intended for ages 12 and up and space is limited to 25 participants.

To register or for more information, contact the park's Education Office.
Email: shen_education@nps.gov or phone: 540-999-3500, ext. 3489

Wilderness Celebration



Fifty years ago, wilderness areas were formally designated and protected by federal law through the Wilderness Act, legislation that provides the highest level of protection for some of our most iconic, wild landscapes. Today, more than 109 million acres of wilderness are part of the National Wilderness Preservation System. Shenandoah National Park has nearly 80,000 acres of designated wilderness, one of the largest Wilderness areas in the eastern United States, and is only 90 miles from Washington DC! Whether you are looking to relax or exercise, disconnect or reconnect, wilderness provides a stunning setting for adventure, personal challenge, or solitude. The magic of wilderness is that it offers something different for each and every one of us and, thanks to the Wilderness Act, these special places will be protected for generations to come.

Celebrating Wilderness Through Art is co-sponsored by the Shenandoah National Park Association and is funded in part with your entrance fees.